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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

Sir:

In furtherance of the Response filed March 19, 2010, Applicants submit herewith a model of the capping system shown in the photographs filed with the Response dated March 19, 2010. Because the enclosed model was required by the Office for use by the Examiner in considering the amendments to the drawings and new figures submitted with the Response dated March 19, 2010, Applicants do not include herewith a Petition under 37 CFR § 1.91(3). Applicants respectfully submit that the photographs submitted with the Response filed March 19, 2010 adequately represent the portions of the model forming the basis for which the model has been submitted.

If the Examiner believes that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at (248) 641-1600.

Respectfully submitted

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